UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA COLUMBIA DIVISION

THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP, and

Case No. 3-21-cv-03302-MGL-TJH-RMG

TAIWAN SCOTT, on behalf of himself and all other similarly situated persons,

THREE-JUDGE PANEL

Plaintiffs.

v.

THOMAS C. ALEXANDER, in his official capacity as President of the Senate; LUKE A. RANKIN, in his official capacity as Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee; JAMES H. LUCAS, in his official capacity as Speaker of the House of Representatives; CHRIS MURPHY, in his official capacity as Chairman of the House of Representatives Judiciary Committee; WALLACE H. JORDAN, in his official capacity as Chairman of the House of Representatives Elections Law Subcommittee: HOWARD KNAPP, in his official capacity as interim Executive Director of the South Carolina State Election Commission; JOHN WELLS, Chair, JOANNE DAY, CLIFFORD J. EDLER, LINDA MCCALL, and SCOTT MOSELEY, in their official capacities as members of the South Carolina Election Commission,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE OPPOSITION

On January 6, 2023, this three-judge panel issued a unanimous post-trial order, finding that Congressional District ("CD") 1 violates Plaintiffs' rights asserted in Counts One and Two of the Third Amended Complaint, but finding that Plaintiffs failed to carry their burden of proof with respect to CDs 2 and 5. ECF No. 493 at 32. The Court allowed, but did not require, the General

Assembly to remedy the violations during the ongoing legislative session, which began on January 9, 2023, and present any remedy to the Court before March 31, 2023. *Id*.

Three weeks after the Court's January 6 ruling, Defendants filed a Motion for a Stay of the Court's Order on January 27, 2023. Though Defendants did not move for expedited consideration of their motion under Local Civ. R. 6.01, they did make an informal request for the Court to "enter an expeditious ruling." ECF No. 495 at 2.

In normal course, Plaintiffs' response would be due on Friday, February 10, 2023. Out of an abundance of caution, Plaintiffs respectfully inform the Court that they intend to file an opposition to Defendants' Motion for a Stay, by no later than Friday, February 3.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 29, 2023 a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on all counsel of record by electronic mail.

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